

REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed 01 October 2007, the Examiner stated that claims in the subject application were lacking the proper status identifiers. Accordingly, in this response, Applicants have now changed the status identifier of claim 59 to "currently amended" from "previously presented", and the status identifier of claim 26 to "currently amended" from "original". Claims 2-4, 12-26, 57-61 and 65-67 remain pending for examination. Applicants note that the amendments and arguments made in the response previously filed on 25 July 2007 still stand.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and thereby solicit acceptance of the claims as now stated.

Applicants would welcome an interview, if the Examiner is so inclined. The undersigned can ordinarily be reached at his office at (650) 712-0340 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday, and can be reached at his cell phone at (415) 902-6112 most other times.

Fee Authorization. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge underpayment of any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0869 (BLFR 1006-1).

Respectfully submitted,

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